

## **REMARKS**

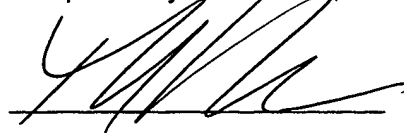
Claims 1-24 are pending in the present application. Claims 13-24 have been withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1-12 and have been examined on their merits. By this Response, claims 25 and 26 have been added. The Applicant believes that the new claims 25-26 are fully supported in the specification and do not represent new matter.

The present Response is a correction to the "Amendments to the Claims" portion of Applicant's Amendment mailed September 13, 2006. In compliance with 37 CFR 1.121, only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment is submitted in this Response.

The corrected "Amendments to the Claims" section is believed responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. Reconsideration and allowance, being in order, are earnestly solicited. Should there be further issues, the undersigned would welcome a telephone call to facilitate their resolution.

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Respectfully submitted,



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